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Journal

Of the Senate of the special session of the General assembly of the state of Arkansas which was begun and held at the Capital in the city of Little Rock on Wednesday the 5th day of March 1862 in accordance with the proclamation of the Governor dated 1862.

Wednesday March 5th 1862

At 11 Oclock A. M. the President of the Senate to wit. Hon Thomas Fletcher of Arkansas county took the chair and called the Senate to order.

The roll was called by A. D. Kimball Secretary of the Senate at the last session when the following Senators answered to their names:

Hons A. H. Carrigan, D. Cunningham, Jo Gray, A. A. Pennington and Mr President Thomas Fletcher — 5.

There being no quorum present the Senate on motion of Mr Pennington ~~Fletcher~~ adjourned until 10 Oclock Tomorrow morning.

Thos. Fletcher
President

Thursday March 6th 1862

At 10 Oclock A. M. the President of the Senate took his chair and called the Senate to order.

The roll was called by the Secretary when the following Senators answered to their names:—

Messrs Carrigan, Cunningham, Gray, McCreary Pennington, Upham and Mr President Fletcher — 7.

There being no quorum present the Senate on motion of Mr Carrigan adjourned until 10 Oclock Tomorrow morning

Thos. Fletcher
President

Friday March 7th A.D. 1862

at 10 o'clock A.M. The President of the Senate took his chair and called the ~~Hon~~ Senate to order

The roll was called by the Secretary when the following Senators answered to their names

Messrs- Carrigan, Cunningham, Gray, Sigon McCreery, Pennington, Rosson, Wynn and Mr President- 9

There being no quorum present the Senate on motion of Mr Gray adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning

Thos J. Gentry
President

Saturday March 8th 1862

At 10 Oclock A.M. the Senate was called to order by the President and the roll being called the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs Carrigan, Cunningham, Gray, Sigon, McCreery, Pennington, Rosson, Wynn and Mr President- 9

No quorum

The Senate took a recess until 2 Oclock P.M.

At 2 Oclock P.M. the Senate was called to order by the President.

The roll was called when the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs Carrigan, Cunningham, Gray, Sigon, McCreery, Pennington, Rosson, Wynn and Mr President- 9

~~On motion of Mr Rosson~~ the President was ordered, a call of the Senate for the purpose of ascertaining the absentees when it appeared that the following Senators were absent to wit:

Messrs Askew, Bilbro, Blount, Bradshaw, Davis, Dodd, Douglas, Lancaster, McCulloch, Mickle, Miller, Oates, Thorn, Terry, Truett and Wood- 16.

On motion of Mr Rosson a committee of three was appointed with instructions to coöperate with such

committee as the House might appoint to fix upon the most suitable and economical mode of procuring the attendance of the absentees.

Messrs. Rosser, McCreery and Cunningham were appointed said committee.

After a recess of ten minutes the chairman of the committee, Mr Rosser, reported that the committee of both Houses had unanimously agreed upon the manner of sending for the absentees by deputing special sergeant-at-arms to procure their attendance with warrants to be issued by the presiding officers.

Mr Carrigan objected the report as impracticable, but on motion of Mr Gray the same was adopted.

On motion of Mr Rosser the Senate adjourned until 10 O'clock Monday morning.

Jno. J. Teleher
President

Monday March 10th 1862

At 10 oclock A. M. the President took his chair and called the Senate to order

The roll was called when the following Senators answered to their names

Messrs. Carrigan, Cunningham Gray, Ligon, McCreery, Miller Pennington Rosser Trimble, Wynn and Mr President—11. No quorum

The journal of yesterday was read adopted and signed.

On motion of Mr Pennington the call of the Senate as to Messrs Miller and Trimble, who were present, was suspended.

On motion of Mr Ligon the Senate adjourned until 10 oclock Tomorrow morning

Jno. J. Teleher
President

Tuesday March 11th 1862

At 10 Oblock a.m. the President of the Senate called the Senate to order.

The roll was called when the following senators answered to their names:—

Messrs Carrigan, Cunningham, Gray, Sigon, McCreery, Miller, Pennington, Rosson, Trimble, Wynn and Mr President—11.

No quorum

The journal of yesterday was read approved and signed.

On motion of Mr Pennington the Senate ~~took a recess~~ adjourned until 7 Oblock tomorrow evening.

Thos. J. Fletcher
President

Wednesday March 12th 1862

At 7 Oblock P.m. the President called the Senate to order and the roll being called the following Senators answered to their names:—

Messrs Belser, Carrigan, Cunningham Davies, Gray, Sigon, McCreery, Miller, Pennington Rosson, Thorn, Trimble, Wynn and Mr President—14.

No quorum.

On motion of Mr Trimble the call of the Senate as to Messrs Belser, Davies and Thorn was suspended

The journal of yesterday was read approved and signed.

On motion of Mr Trimble the Senate adjourned until 10 Oblock tomorrow morning.

Thos. J. Fletcher
President

Thursday March 13th 1862

At 10 Oclock A. M. The President called the Senate to order and the roll being called the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs Baker, Berrigan, Bermingham Davies, Fay, Fitzgerald, McKenney, Miller Pennington, Rosson, Thorn, Trimble, Upton and Mr President — 14.

No quorum.

The journal of yesterday was read, approved and signed.

The President of the Senate presented the following communication which was read=

Rail Road Ticket Office
Little Rock March 12th 1862

To Members of Senate and Assembly
of the state of Arkansas assembled

Gentlemen

I am requested by R. C. Brinkley Esq. President of the Memphis and Little Rock Rail Road Company to attend to your Honorable bodies the free use of the Rail Road from this point to Duvalls Bluff and return at any time you may find convenient to attend

Respectfully
J. L. Palmer
Agent

On motion of Mr Davies a committee of three was appointed to act with the House committee in fixing a day to accept the invitation tendered each house by the foregoing letter.

Messrs Davies, Pennington and Berrigan were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr Upton the Senate adjourned till 10 Oclock tomorrow morning.

Thos. J. Fletcher
President

Friday March 14th 1862

At 10 Oclock A.M. the President called the Senate to order.

Roll called.

Present— Messrs Baker, Carrigan, Cunningham, Davies, Gray, Logan, McElroy, Miller, Oats, Pennington, Rosson, Shorn, Trimble, Wynn and Mr President— 15.

No quorum.

Journal of yesterday read & approved and signed.

On motion of Mr Carrigan the call of the Senate as to Mr Oats was suspended.

On motion of Mr McElroy the Senate adjourned until 10 Oclock tomorrow morning

Thos. J. Fletcher
President

Saturday March 15th 1862

At 10 Oclock A.M. the President called the Senate to order.

Roll called.

Present— Messrs Baker, Carrigan, Cunningham, Davies, Gray, Logan, McElroy, Miller, Oats, Pennington, Rosson, Shorn, Trimble, Wynn and Mr President— 15.

No quorum.

The journal of yesterday was read, approved and signed.

On motion of Mr Oats the Senate took a recess until 3 Oclock P.M.

At 3 Oclock P.M. the Senate was called to order.

Roll called.

Present— Messrs Baker, Carrigan, Cunningham, Davies, Gray, Logan, McElroy, Miller, Oats, Pennington, Rosson, Shorn, Trimble, Wynn and Mr President— 15.

No quorum.

On motion of Mr Gray the Senate adjourned until 9 Oclock Monday morning,

Thos. J. Fletcher
President

Monday March 17th 1862

At 9 Oclock A.M. the Senate was called to order

Roll called.

Present — Messrs Baker, Carrigan, Cunningham Davies, Dodd, Gray, Logan, McInerny, Miller, Oats, Pennington, Rowan, Thorn, Trimble, Wynne and Mr President — 16.

No quorum,

On motion of Mr Miller the Senate took a recess till 11 Oclock A.M.

At 11 Oclock A M the Senate met.

Roll called.

Present — Messrs Baker, Carrigan, Cunningham Davies, Dodd, Gray, Logan, McInerny, Miller, Oats, Pennington, Rowan, Terry, Thorn, Trimble, Wynne and Mr President — 17.

Mr President announced a quorum present and stated that in consequence of the absence of Thomas D. Berry the door Keeper of the Senate the vacancy in that office would have to be supplied.

On motion of Mr Carrigan the President of the Senate was empowered and requested to appoint a Doorkeeper for the present session.

Whereupon the President appointed William Hammond, of Little Rock, who came forward and took the oath prescribed by the Constitution of the State of Arkansas and entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Mr Oats offered the following resolution:

Resolved That a message be transmitted to the House of Representatives advising them that the Senate is now organized and ready to proceed to business.

Adopted on motion of Mr Oats.

Mr Pennington offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed to act with such committee as the House may appoint to inform the Governor forthwith that the two Houses have each a quorum of members present and are ready to receive any communication he may desire to make.

Read and on motion of Mr Terry adopted and Messrs Pennington & Miller appointed Committee on part of Senate.

Message from the House of Representatives by their clerk:

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that a quorum of Representatives having appeared and taken their seats that body is now organized and ready to proceed to business.

John F Ames

Clk R. H. Assy

Mr Rosson offered the following resolution:

Resolved That the Senate will not entertain any bill of a local or personal character or that of any claim against the state at the present Call session of the General Assembly

which was read and Mr Bates offered to amend by adding,

(And that no member shall speak longer than five minutes nor more than once on the same subject.

Mr. Belser moved to lay the amendment on the table and called for the Ays and Nays thereon which was sustained and ordered with the following result=

Yeas - Messrs - Belser Davis Dodd Gray Ligon Trimble and Mr President - 7

Nays Messrs - Barrow Cain Cunningham McInerney Miller Oates Pennington. Rosson Terry ~~Thomas~~ Trimble and Wynn - 10

So the amendment was not laid upon the table. but on motion of Mr Oates the same was adopted

On motion of Mr Cunningham the resolution as amended was then adopted

~~Mr Pennington from a select Committee made the following Report,~~

Message from the House of Representatives by their Clerk

Mr President,

(I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have concurred in Senate Resolution relative to appointing a joint Committee to wait on his Excellency the Governor and in-

form him of the organization of both Houses and their readiness to receive any Communication from him

Said Committee on the part of the House Consist. of Messrs Humphreys Pettit and Hemmingway

John P Jones
Clerk House of Reps.

"The Senate took a recess of 10 minutes at the expiration of which time Pennington from a select committee made the following report

Mr President,

The Committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor have performed that duty and report that his Excellency will Communicate his message to the two Houses of the General Assembly this day at 12 Oclock M in in Secret Session

Pennington Chairman

Which report was read and on motion of Mr Bates received and the Committee thereby discharged

Message from the House of Representatives by their Clerk

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the House is now ready to receive the Senate in Joint Convention for the purpose of receiving a message from the Governor,

John P Jones
Clerk of House

On motion of Mr. Carrigan the Senate repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives and there being seated the roll of the Senate was called when the following Senators answered to their names

Messrs Belser Carrigan Cumming Hagan Davies Dodd Gray Ligon McInerny Fuller Oates Pennington, Rawson Terry Thorn Tomlin Wynn and the President — 17

The Roll of the House was then called by order of the Speaker, and it appearing that there was a quorum present of both

Houses present, the President of the Senate announced that the Convention was ready to receive the Message of the Governor, and the Sergeant was instructed to clear the Gallaries and close the doors.

The Convention then went into Secret Session to receive said message and after the reception of the same the Senate returned to this chamber.

On motion of Mr Rason the Senate took a recess until 2 Oclock P.M.

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At 2 Oclock P.M. the Senate met

On motion of Mr Terry the Calling of the roll was dispensed with for the present.

On motion of Mr Rayson the rules of the last regular session were adopted for the present Session,

Mr Trimble offered the following resolution,

Resolved that the Secretary furnish each member of the Senate with the usual Stationary also with one copy of the ordinances of the Convention and a copy of the acts of the Special Session of 1861 and the Digest of 1858.

Which resolution was read and the question being stated on its adoption was lost on a division

Mr Oates moved to refer the Governors Message to the Committee on Militia.

Mr Mclemore moved its reference to the Committee on Judiciary which motion was lost and thereupon the reference to the Committee on Militia was made

On motion of Mr Gray said vote was reconsidered and thereupon Mr Gray offered the following resolution

Resolved that that portion of the Governors Message relating to Military matters be referred to the Committee on Militia and that portion relating to the Confederate Cap to the Committee on Ways and Means and that portion relating

to agriculture to the Committee on agriculture, which was read and adopted

On motion of Mr Oates the Case of the Senate as to Messrs Dodd and Terry was suspended

Mr McCreery on leave presented the petition of numerous ladies of White County praying the passage of an act to prevent the distillation of Grain in this State into spirituous liquors:

Which was read and on motion of Mr McCreery refered to the Committee on Judiciary

On motion of Mr Rosson the name of Messrs Trimble and Dodd were added to the Committee on Judiciary

On motion mr Oates the names of Messrs Trimble, and McCreery were added to the Committee on Ways and Means

Mr President stated that a question had arisen with the secretary as to whether he was required to spread the Governor's Message on received in Secret Convention upon the Journal and asked the Sense of the Senate thereon and thereupon the Senate decided Unanimously in the negative

On motion of Mr Trimble that portion of Governors Message relating to the subject of Treason was refered to the Committee on Judiciary

Mr Oates from the Committee on Judiciary made the following report.

Mr President

The Judiciary committee to which was refered the petition of Sundry ladies from the County of White with regard to the purchase and distillation of any grain into spirituous liquors during the existence of the present war with the United States have considered the same and have instructed me to report the accompanying bill and to recommend its passage

Oats Chairman

Which report was read and the bill to be entitled an act to prevent the distillation of brain in this State into Spirituous liquors was read the first time

On motion of Mr Coates the rules were twice suspended the bill read the second and third times by title and passed

Mr Davies offered the following resolution

Resolved That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish each member of the Senate with one copy of the acts of the Special Session of the General Assembly of 1861

which was read and adopted

On motion of Mr McCreery the names of Messrs Oats and Carrigan were added to the committee on Militia.

On motion of Mr Oats the Senate took a recess until 7 Oclock P.M.

At 7 Oclock P.M. the Senate met. Roll called by order of the President.

Present— Messrs Bilson, Carrigan, Cunningham, Davies, Dodd, Gray, Lujon, McCreery, Miller, Oats, Pennington, Rowan, Thompson, Timble, Wynn and Mr President—16

No quorum.

On motion of Mr Davies the Senate adjourned until 9 oclock tomorrow morning.

Thos. J. Pitcher
President

Tuesday March 18th. AD 1862.

Senate met
Roll called
Present. Messrs. Belser Corrigan Cunningham Davis Dodd Gray Ligon McKeown Miller Oates Pennington Roper Terry Thorn Trimble Wynn and Mr President — 17

The Journal of yesterday was read approved and signed.

Mr Pennington presented the memorial of A J McDonald. W D Steely and A G Hearn in behalf of the citizens of Clark County asking the passage of a law suspending the Collection of taxes and fixing a rate of Interest upon taxes now due to be paid at some future day, which was read and on motion of Mr Pennington referred to the Committee on Memorials

Message from the House of Representatives
Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have adopted House Joint Resolution relative to furnishing Brass and Bells to General Beauregard for the purpose of making Cannon &

The House have passed House Bill No 15 to be entitled an act amendatory of the Patrole Laws of this State

Said resolution and Bill are herewith transmitted for the assent and Concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

John D Jones
Clerk of the House

Mr Davis introduced Senate Bill No 2 an act to define the 8 Section of the act approved November 18th 1861 entitled an act to facilitate the circulation of War bonds and and Treasury warrants.

S. B No 2

Read the first time

On motion of Mr Davis the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title

Mr Ligon offered to amend by an ordi-

=ional Section =to wit=

See Be it further enacted that Section 7 of said act be so amended as to authorize the issuance of executions from the respective Courts therein specified upon judgement therein rendered upon the plaintiff or some other person for him at the time of applying for such writ of execution making and filing an affidavit setting forth therein some one of the respective grounds whereon an attachment is authorized by law to be issued and containing all the requisits of an affidavit for an attachment

Which amendment was read,

On motion of Mr Oates the bill and amendment was referred to the committee on Judiciary

House Bills on their first reading were ordered as

House Bile No 15 an act amendatory of the Patrol Laws of this State was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were twice suspended the bill read the second and third times by title and passed

House Joint Resolution No 1 relative to furnishing Bells and Brass to General Beauregard was taken up and read.

On motion of Mr Oates the Senate concured in the same.

Mr Oates offered the following resolution Be it Resolved by the General assembly of the State of Arkansas that the two Houses of the General Assembly will adjourn sine die on Saturday next the 22d Inst

Which was read and on motion of Mr Rozzon adopted

On motion of Mr Oates the vote of yesterday rejecting Mr Trimbles Resolution requiring the Secretary to furnish each member of the Senate with one copy of the ordinances of the Convention and a copy of the acts of the special session of 1861 was reconsidered

Mr Oates moved to amend by inserting

the words "except ^ from Knives" after the word "Station ary."

Which was adopted

On motion of Mr Davies the words "acts of Special Session of 1861" were stricken out

The Resolution as amended was then rejected, on a question to adopt the same

On motion of Mr Coles the Senate took a recess till 2 oclock P. M.

At 2 Oclock P M.

Senate met.

On motion of Mr Rosson the calling of the roll was dispensed with,

S B. No 3. Mr Davies on leave introduced Senate Bill No 3 an act To Provide for the payment of the war tax

Read first time.

On motion of Mr Davies the rules were suspended the bill read the second time by title and referred to the Committee on Ways and means

S. B. No 4. Mr Terry introduced Senate Bill No 4 An act for the relief of the residents of this State

Read first time.

On motion of Mr Terry the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title

Mr McInerny offered to amend the bill by an additional Section to wit:

Sec Be it further enacted that the lands of any citizen of Arkansas in the military service of the Confederate States shall be redeemable when sold for taxes for twelve months after the close of the present war upon payment of all the taxes and costs due thereon

Which amendment was read and on motion of Mr Rosson adopted

On motion of Mr Terry the rules were suspended the bill was read the third time as amended and passed

Mr Oates on leave made from the Committee on Judiciary made the following Report.

Mr President

The Judiciary to which was referred Senate Bill No 2 entitled an act to define the 8th Section of act approved the 18th November 1861 entitled an act to facilitate the circulation of Arkansas war bonds and Treasury warrants with an Amendment thereto have considered the same and instructed me to report the same back and recommend the passage of the bill and the rejection of the amendment

Oates Chairman

On motion of Mr Rozzon the report was adopted and the Amendment thereto rejected.

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended the bill read the third time by title and passed,

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr President.

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have amended and passed Senate bill No 1 to be entitled an act to prevent the distillation of Grain in this State in spirituous liquors said amendments are attached to the bill and the Concurrence of your honorable body respectfully asked thereto

The House have passed House bill No 4 to be entitled an act supplemental to an act to provide for the payment of the war tax imposed by an act of the provisional Congress of the Confederate States approved 19th August 1861 and for other purposes approved 18 November 1861

Said bill is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully ~~fully~~ fully asked.

The House have adopted House Joint Resolution No 2 relative to requesting the members of the Military board to resign in order that it may become elected

The House have adopted a resolution

to adjourn sine die on monday the 24th Instant

said two resolution are herewith transmitted for the Concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

John P Jones clerk
of the House of Reps

On motion of Mr Davis House Resolution to adjourn sine die on monday the 24th Inst was taken up read and Concurred in by the Senate

House bills on their first reading were ordered up,

The amendments of the House to Senate Bill No 1 an act to prevent the distillation of brain in this State into spirituous liquors were taken up,

The amendment to strike out the words "purchased and" and to insert the words "or Potatoes" after the word "brain" in Section One was read and Concurred in,

The Amendment to strike out the 4th Section of the bill was on motion of Mr Oates also concurred in,

House Joint Resolution No 2 requesting the members of the Military board to resign in order to make said board Efficient was taken up and read

On motion of Mr Harrison the Senate refused to Concur in said resolution,

House Bill No 4 an act Supplemental to an act entitled an act to provide for the payment of the war tax imposed by an act of the provisional Congress of the Confederate States approved the 19 of August 1861 and for other purposes approved the 18th November 1861, was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title, and referred to the Committee of the Whole and made the special order

of the day at 4 Oclock P. M.

Mr Rosser as chairman of the committee on ways and means by request reported back Private bill No 3 to be entitled An act to provide for the payment of the war Tax, which was also referred to the committee of the whole

The hour of 4 Oclock P.M. having arrived the Senate was resolved into a committee of the whole to consider of said two bills— Mr Rosser taking the chair by request of the President.

After some time spent in deliberation the committee arose reported progress and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of said two bills; which report was on motion of Mr Terry adopted.

On motion of Mr Terry said two bills were referred to a select committee of three and Mr Terry being excused from serving upon said committee on account of ill health.

Thereupon the President appointed Messrs Davies Belser and Trimble such committee.

On motion of Mr Davies the name of Mr Rosser was added to said committee

On motion of Mr Terry the Senate adjourned until 9 Oclock tomorrow morning

Thos. J. Fletcher
President.

Wednesday March 19th A.D. 1862

Senate met
Roll called.
Present— Messrs— Belser Corrigan Cumming Davies Dodd Gray Legon McLeroy Miller Oates Pennington Rosser Terry Thomas Trimble Wynne and Mr President.— 17.

Journal of yesterday read approved and signed.

Message from the House.

Mr President.

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have passed House Bill No 1 to be entitled an act to repeal an act to exempt the residence of some white persons on plantation on which there are slaves approved November 18

1861 a copie hole is herewith transmitted for the assent and Concurrance of your honorable body which is respectfully asked.

John P Jones -
Clerk of the House of Rep

On motion of Mr Trimble the name of Mr Lloyd was added to the committee on ~~Enrolments~~ Enrolments.

Mr McSeeny from the committee on Militia made the following report.

Mr President,

The Committee on Militia to whom was refered that portion of the Governor's message relating to Military affairs have Considered the same and beg leave to report the accompanying bill to be entitled an act to abolish the Militia laws of this State and to provide a more efficient defence for the same for which they ask the Consideration of the Senate

McSeeny Chairman

Which report was received and the bill read the first time.

On motion of Mr McSeeny the rules were twice suspended the bile read the second and third times by title and Mr Lewis called for the yeas and Nays on its passage which call was not sustained.

The question was then stated on its final passage and decided in the affirmative

Mr Harris asked and obtained time and leave to enter his protest against the passage of the bill, which was granted.

Message from the House

Mr. President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have concurred in the resolution of the Senate to adjourn on Saturday the 23d inst said resolution is herewith returned

John P Jones Clerk

Mr Trimble from the Committee on Enrolments made the following report.

Mr President

The Committee on enrollments have examined Enrolled Senate Bill No 1. An act.

to prevent the distillation of grain and potatoes into spirituous liquors and have instructed me me to report the same correctly enrolled

Lemuel Charm

which report was read and received,

Mr Harris from a select committee made the following report

Mr President

The Select Committee to which was referred House Bill No 4 and Senate Bill No 3 and one other not numbered to Provide for the payment of the war tax have had the same under consideration and a majority of said Committee have instructed me to report the same back to the Senate Recommending the rejection of said House Bill No 4 and ask to be discharged from the further Consideration of them which is respectfully submitted

O H Harris Chm

Which report was received and Mr Belser presented the following Minority report

Mr President

The undersigned a minority of the Select committee to whom was refered House bill No 4 Entitled an act supplemental to an act to provide for the payment of the war tax imposed by an act of the provisional Congress of the Confederate ~~States~~ States approved 19th August 1861 and for other purposes approved 18 November 1861 would respectfully ~~ask~~ dissent from the Majority report upon the following grounds

1st The passage of such of a measure is to the interest of the people of State of Ark at this time

2d The House bill covers the subject-matter refered to said select committee,

I H Belser Minority of Committee

Which report was read,

Mr Harris moved the adoption of the ~~Majority~~ Majority Report,

Mr Carrigan called for the yeas and Nays on said motion which call was sustained

and ordered with the following result-
yeas - Messrs Slavis Sloan, Rosson Terry Thorn
and Trimble - 6
Nays - Mysrs Baker Craig an Cumming
Ham Gray Gipson McCreery Milling Oates and
Pennington Wynn and President - 11
So the Majority Report was not adopted
On motion of Mr Oates the committee
was discharged from the further consider-
tion of the bill.
Mr Slavis offered to amend the bill
by an additional section Count:
Sec Be it further enacted that-
the faith and credit of the state of Arkansas
is hereby pledged for the payment of said
Treasury warrants and the interest on
them and for the next five years an annual
tax of ten per cent on each hundred dollars
worth of property subject to taxation by
existing laws and one fourth of one per
centum upon the dollar of Merchandize
at invoice price. Whether brought in or out
of the State shall be collected as a special
tax for the purpose of paying said warrants
and interest at Maturity. Provided that no
person who is the head of a family shall
be required to pay a tax under this act whose
taxable property does not amount to the sum
of five hundred dollars
Which amendment was read and Mr
Oates offered the following as a substitute
for the amendment,
Sec 12 Be it further enacted that-
the Treasury warrants or State bonds to be
issued under the provisions of this shall in
redeemed by a State tax to be hereafter levied
on and collected from the property in this State
which is made liable for the Confederate States
war tax under the act of the Confederate
States Congress levying such war tax
Which substitute was read and
adopted in lieu of the amendment offered
by Mr Slavis,
Mr Oates offered the following amend,

- ment

Sec 8 Be it further enacted that in case any person in this State shall have paid the Confederate States War Tax the same shall be immediately refunded by the Sheriff or other collector thereof, to the person having so paid the same,

Which was read and on motion of Mr Oates adopted,

Mr Trimble offered the following Amendment,

Amend the latter clause of the 3d Section by saying, "Provided our Treasury Warrants shall not be negotiated at a discount.

Which was read and Mr Garrigan moved the Indefinite postponement of the same

Mr Terry called for the Yeas and Nays on said Motion which call was sustained and ordered with the following result,

Yeas. Messrs Belser Garrigan Cunningham Gray McLeroy Miller Oates. Pennington and Wynn — 9

Nays — Messrs Clarke, Dodd Lyon Rosson Terry Thorn Trimble and Mr President — 8

So the amendment was indefinitely postponed

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended the bill read the third time by title and passed,

On motion of Mr Thorn the Senate took a recess until 2 O'Clock P. M.

At 2 O'clock P. M.

Senate met,

Mr McLeroy offers the following Joint Resolution,

Resolved by the General assembly of the State of Arkansas. That the bearing daring and gallantry of the volunteers from Arkansas, as shown at Oak Hills, Carp Belmont on the battle fields of Virginia Missouri and Tennessee and recently on our own State are worthy of all praise and will form

a page in the annals of the history of the present ~~war~~ revolution of which our State may well be proud in ages yet to come

Resolved That, the glorious dead who died for freedom shall not live in the memories of a grateful Country; that justice should be done to their memories and their kindred and their posterity be honored

Resolved That the deaths of Lewis McCulloch and McIntosh and other brave heroes who poured out the rich treasures of their heart blood upon the soil of Arkansas is mourned by us and should be fully avenged. The life of one such man is worth those of a host of the lawless freebooters and plunderers of the north now carrying on this infamous war for the plunder and enslavement of a prosperous and free people.

Which was read and on motion of Mr Rosson unanimously adopted

S B No 6 Mr Gray introduced Senate bill No 6 an act to amend the Criminal law as to slaves,

Read first time

On motion of Mr Trimble the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title

On motion of Mr Gray the rules were further suspended the bill read the third time by title and passed

House Bills on their first reading ordered up

House Bill No 1 an act to repeal an act to compel the residence of some white person on plantations on which there are slaves approved November 18th 1861 was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr Gray the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title

Mr Gray moved to suspend the rules for a third reading which motion was lost

S B No 7 Mr Belser introduced Senate Bill No 7

An act to prevent the secretion of Provision

Read first time

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title

Mr Pennington offered to amend by striking out "three acres" wherever it occurred in the enactment "Two acres" in lieu thereof, which amendment was adopted

Mr Oates moved to strike out two acres which motion was lost

On motion of Mr Trimble the rules were suspended the bill read the third time by title and passed

Mr Davies offered the following resolution

Whereas Intemperance is growing to be a great element of danger and especially amongst our unorganized volunteer troops Therefor, Resolved that the Military Authorities of this State be requested and are hereby authorized to take such steps as they may deem necessary to suppress the improper retail or use of, ale Spirituous liquors wherever troops are being Concentrated in this State

Which resolution was read and the question being stated on its adoption was decided in the Negative

On motion of Mr Kerrigan House Bill No 1 an act to repeal an act to compel the residence of some white person on plantation on which there are slaves approved 18 November 1861 was taken up

Mr Kerrigan moved to suspend the rules for a third reading which motion was lost two thirds not voting in the affirmative

Mr Davies ~~presenting the following protest~~ ~~to the Committee on~~ ~~Military and made the following verbally report~~

Mr President

Protest

I beg leave to enter my most solemn protest against the passage of a bill which has this day passed this body entitled an act to abolish the Militia laws of this State

1st Because on the 30th day of

may 1861 The Convention of this State of Arkansas passed an ordinance for the organization of an efficient Military corps for active Service and for the election of certain officers The 15th Section of said ordinance reads as follows This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage shall only continue in force for and during the war after which it shall be subject to repeal by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas. It will be observed by reference to page 111 of the ordinance in the Constitution of the State of Arkansas under the head of Schedule in Section 23 in case any ordinance which may have been passed by this Convention conflicts in any respect with this constitution and the ordinance so conflicting here with provides that it shall only have effect or force for a limited time; Such ordinance shall have effect rather than this Constitution. March 19 1861

Jas F Harris—

~~Which report was received~~

On motion of Mr Oates the Senate took a recess until 4 oclock

~~At 4~~ ——

At 7 Oclock the Senate met—

Mr Isbay introduced Senate Bill No 8, an act in regard to the Entry of State Lands

S B. No 8

Read first time

On his motion the rules were suspended the bill read the second time by title.

On motion of Mr Oates it was referred to the committee on Swamp and Overflowed Lands.

On motion of Mr Harris the Senate adjourned till 9 oclock tomorrow morning

Wm F Fletcher
" President

Thursday March 20 1862

The Senate met.

Roll called.

Present— Messrs Palser, Corrigan, Cunningham, Davis, Dodd, Gray, Ingram, McCreary, Miller, Oats, Pennington, Rowan, Terry, Thompson, Trimble, Upton and Mr President — 17.

The journal of yesterday was read & approved and signed.

Message from the House of Representatives by the Clerk.

Mr President—

I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the House of Representatives have passed House Bill No 19 an act concerning Tax titles"

Also House Bill No 13 to be entitled an act for the relief of the tax payers of this State"

Said two bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

The House have concurred in Senate Amendments to House Bill No 4 to be entitled An act supplemental to an act to provide for the payment of the war tax imposed by an act of the provisional Congress of the Confederate States approved 19th August 1861 and for other purposes approved 18th November 1861

The House have assented to Senate Bill no 5 an act to abolish the Militia laws of this State and to provide a more efficient defence for the same"

Said Bill is herewith returned

The House have also passed House Bill No 21 to be entitled an act concerning the Cultivation of Cotton

Also House Bill No 17 an act concerning ferries and ferry privileges,

Said two bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

John Jones Clerk

By Thomas Jr
Asst

Mr Wynne offered the ~~resolution~~ following Resolution,

Resolved, by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas. That the special Sergeants at arms. Sent to procure the attendance of absent members of both houses of this General assembly be each allowed the sum of three dollars per day for every day they have been absent upon such duty and all necessary expenses incurred thereby and the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House shall ascertain and draw the amounts, due said Sergeants at arms. or Certify their accounts therefor ~~for~~ during the present session which a sufficient amount is hereby appropriated out of ~~any money~~ in the Treasury

Which resolution was read the first time

On motion of Mr Mavis the rules were suspended the resolution read the second and third times and adopted.

Mr Trimble from the committee on Enrollments made the following report.

Mr President—

The Committee on Enrollments did on yesterday hand to the Governor for his approval Senate Bill No 1 an act to prevent the distillation of grain into spirituous liquors in this State and have instructed me to report the same.

Trimble
Chairman

S B No 9

Mr Mavis introduced Senate Bill No 9 an act to promote the manufacture of salt in this State

Read the first time

On motion of Mr Mavis the rules were suspended the bill read the second time by title and referred to the committee on Judiciary

S B No 10

Mr McCreery introduced Senate Bill No 10 An act ~~to promote the manufacture of salt in this State~~ to encourage one or more salt works for the benefit of the State of Texas & the Confederate States

On his motion the rules were suspended, the bill read the second time by title and referred to the committee on Judiciary

Message from the Governor,

Mr President

I am instructed by the Governor to

informm the Senate that on the 19th day of March 1862 he approved and signed an act to prevent the distillation of brandy in this State in Spirituous Liquors. March 20th 1862

W M Mattheny
Priv-te Secty.

House Bills on their first reading
ordered up

House Bill No 12 ~~xxxx~~ An act for the relief of the tax payers of this State, was taken up and read the first-time

On motion of Mr Dales the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title.

On motion of Mr Terry it was referred to the Committee on ways and means with instruction to report back this bill forthwith

House Bill No 17 entitled "an act concerning Ferries and Ferry privileges was taken up and read the first-time.

On motion of Mr Belser the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title,

On motion of Mr Terry the rules were further suspended the bill read the third time by title and passed.

Message from the House

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have passed House Bill No 23 an act making appropriations to pay the Confederate Tax and for other purposes which is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked.

John D Jones
Clerk

House Bill No 19 an act concerning tax titles was taken up and read the first-time

On motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended, and the bill read the second time by title,

On motion of Mr Dales the bill was indefinitely postponed

Mr Davis introduced Senate Bill

S.B. No 11 An act to legalize all terms of the Circuit Court which have been held since November 1st A.D. 1861

Read the first time

On motion of Mr Sloan the rules were twice suspended the bill read the second and third times by title and the question being stated on its passage was decided in the negative

Message from the House

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives have passed House Bill No 13 an act to prohibit the further sale of the public lands of this State and for other purposes said Bill is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked.

John D Jones
Clerk

Mr Trimble was called to the chair

House Bill No 31 An act concerning the cultivation of cotton was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr President the rules were twice suspended the bile read the second and third times by title and passed

House Bill No 23. an act making appropriation to pay the Confederate tax and ~~further~~ for other purposes,

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended and the bile read the second time by title

Message from the House by their clerk=

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives have concurred in Senate Joint Resolution concerning the Library of Congress

Said resolution is herewith returned

John P Jones
Clerk of House

Mr Carrigan offered to amend the bill

under consideration by an additional item to wit:

5th That the sum of Five Hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for Military purposes.

Which amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr Terry the bill was further amended by inserting after the word "members" in the 4th item the words "officers and to contingent & purses"

On motion of Mr Oats the bill was read the third time as amended and passed.

Mr Tipton offered the following resolution:

Resolved That the clerks and Doorkeepers of the Senate and House of Representatives receive the same per diem compensation that they received at the last special session.

Which was read and on motion of Mr President adopted.

Mr President resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr Terry the Senate took a recess until 2 o'clock P.M.

At 2 o'clock P.M.

Senate met.

House bills on their first and second reading were ordered up.

House Bills 43rd an act to repeal an act entitled an act to compel the residence of some white persons on plantations where there are slaves. approved November 18th 1861. was taken up and read the third time and on motion of Mr Pennington passed.

Message from the House of Representatives by the clerk

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have have passed House Bill No 26 an act to provide rooms for the offices of Auditor and Treasurer and to secure the preservation of certain records and Treasury

said bills is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of your honor

able body which is respectfully asked
The House have passed House Bill
No 24 an act to procure arms for the use
of Soldiers of this State which is also trans
mitted for the assent of your honorable
body which is respectfully asked

John P Jones
Clerk of House

Mr Rosson asked and obtained
leave to report House Bill No 12 an act
for the relief of the tax payers of this
State back to the Senate and asked to be
discharged from its further consideration

On motion of Mr Rosson said
bill was indefinitely postponed

Message from the House

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your
honorable body that the House have
passed Senate bill No 6 an act to amend
the Criminal Laws as to it leaves, said
bill is herewith returned

The House have passed the
following House Bills towit:

No 10 an act to repeal sections
5-6-7 & 8 of Chapter 29 of Code of digest

No 25 an act to extend the time
for filing assessment lists and making
census returns

said two bills are herewith trans
mitted for the assent of your honorable
body which is respectfully asked

John P Jones
Clerk of House

House bill No 24 to be entitled an act
to procure arms for the use of the soldiers
of this state was taken up and read the first
time.

On motion of Mr Pennington the rules
were suspended the bill read the second
time by title and on motion of Mr Dorsey
was referred to the committee on Militia

House bill No 28 to be entitled an act

to extend the time for filing a report and making certain orders, was read the first time,

On motion of Mr Davis the rules were suspended the bill read the second time, by title and on motion of Mr Baker the rules were again suspended the bill read the third time by title and the question being stated on its passage was decided in the negative.

House Bill No 26 an act to provide rooms for the Offices of Auditor and Treasury and to secure the preservation of certain records and Treasure

On motion of Mr Harris the rules were twice suspended the bill read the second and third times by title and passed.

House bill No 16 an act to repeal Sections 5-6-7+8 of chap 39 of Gantts Digest was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended and the bill read the second time by title,

Mr Oates moved to amend the bill by inserting the words "and shall be imprisoned in the County jail not less than six months" at the end of the second section which amendment was adopted

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended the bill read the third time as amended and passed

Mr Terry presented the memorial of James S Butler. ~~proposing~~ asking the passage of an act authorizing the Treasury to ~~take~~ purchase from the Treasury warrants a sufficient amount of the new issues of Bonds to meet the wants of the State &c accompanied by the following resolution

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas That the State Treasurer be authorized to purchase from J S Butler such quantities of the new issue of Bonds and Treasury warrants furnished by him as may be necessary and that he draw his warrant for the payment thereof, which shall be countersigned by the Auditor as other public securities.

which Resolution was read,

Mr Lewis offered the following amend-
ment,

Resolved That before such payment be made the Treasurer shall purchase the plates and moulds for the same used for engraving war bonds and Treasury warrants and Control Stamps and shall deliver to the printer Counted sheets of paper and require the printer to return the same sheets of the same paper and when said plates are not in the press the Treasurer shall keep them under lock and key,

which was read and on motion of Mr Lewis adopted,

Mr Oates offered the following amend-
ment

Resolved further that a sufficient amount is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated to carry this act into effect.

which amendment was read and on motion of Mr Oates adopted,

On motion of Mr Gerry the rules were suspended the resolution read the third time as amended and adopted,

House Bill No 13, an act to prohibit the further sale of the public lands of this State and for other purposes was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr Carrigan the rules were twice suspended the bill read the second and third times by title and passed.

On motion of Mr Oates the Secretary was instructed to take a message to the House requesting the return of House Bill No 23 an act making appropriation to pay the Confederate tax and for other purposes,

Message from the House

Mr President

I am instructed to return to your honorable body House Bill No 23, an act making appropriation to pay the Confederate tax and for other purposes and the same is herewith returned

John C Jones
Clerk

On motion of Mr Oates the passage of said Bill was reconsidered and the adoption of the Senate amendments thereto was also reconsidered.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr Oates the Senate adjourned till 9 oclock tomorrow morning.

Jno. J. Fletcher
President

Friday March 21st 1862.

The Senate met.

Roll called.

Present. Messrs. Askew Belser Carrigan Cummingham Davis, Dyer, Dixon, Holloway Miller Oates Pennington Rapley Terry Thorn Trimble Wynn and Mr President — 17

Journal of yesterday read approved and signed.

Message from the House

Mr President,

I am instructed to inform your honorable Body that the House have concurred in Senate Resolution relative to pay of Special Sergeant at arms, also in Senate resolution relative to pay of officers.

Said resolutions are herewith returned

J. F. Jones clerk

Mr President laid before the Senate the following communication from Hon Jo W Lemoyne,

Washington Ark
March 15th 1862.

To Hon
Jno. Fletcher
President of the Senate

Dear Sir,

This morning I was summoned or requested by your order - to attend the Senate at Little Rock instanter with due respect to your ~~action~~ election or to have the passage of a law to convene the General Assembly and hoping

my Constituents will properly appreciate my motives I now respectfully represent unto You and the Honorable body. I am in command of a full regiment in an Enemy's Country looking daily & hourly for their approach and I feel I can better serve my Country to remain where I am

Had I anticipated a call of the General assembly. I would have resigned and if the purpose can be answered - receive this as my resignation

Respectfully Your
Obt Servt
Lieu. W Lemoyne

On motion of Mr Parker the communication from Mr Lemoyne was received and he was excused from his attendance as a member of the Senate.

On motion of Mr Trimble the name of Mr Thorn was added to the committee on Enrollments,

Mr Oates from the committee on ~~Senate~~ Judiciary made the following report:

Mr President

The committee on Judiciary to which was referred Senate Bill No 9 to be entitled An act to promote the manufacture of salt in this State and Senate Bill No 10 to be entitled An act to establish one or more salt works for the benefit of the state of Arkansas and of the Confederate States, ask leave to report the same back to the Senate and be discharged from their further consideration.

Oates Chairman

Which report was on motion of Mr Oates adopted and the committee accordingly discharged.

On motion of Mr Belcher the passage of House bill No 23 to be entitled An act making appropriation to pay the Confederate tax and for other purposes was recommenced.

On his further motion the following ~~amendments~~ were adopted to wit:

Insert after the word "purposes" in the 4th line the words "offices and the position

=gent & furnish."

Amend by an additional item:

That the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars is hereby appropriated for Military purposes.

On motion of Mr Bates the bill was then read and received.

Mr McCreery from the committee on Military affairs took House Bill No 24 to be entitled An act to procure arms for the use of the soldiers of this State, asking that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the same which report was adopted and the committee accordingly discharged.

Mr Trimble from the Committee on Enrollments made the following report

Mr President

The committee on Enrollments have examined Senate Bill No 5 entitled an act to abolish the Militia laws of this State Also Senate Bill No 6 entitled an act to amend the criminal law as to slaves and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled,

Trimble
Chairman

House Bill No 24 an act entitled ~~an act~~ an act to procure arms for the use of the Soldiery of the State was taken up read the third time and passed.

Mr Askew offered the following amendment.

Amend the third Section by adding the following "to be selected by each head of family owner or overseer, which was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr McCreery the bill was read the third time and passed

Senate Bill No 9 an act to promote the manufacture of salt in this was taken up read the third time and passed.

Senate Bill No 10 an act to establish one or more salt works for the benefit of the State of Arkansas and of the Confederate States was taken up read and on motion of Mr Bates it was indefinite

lay postponed

On motion of Mr Wynn the call of the Senate was suspended as to Mr Askew.

On motion of Mr Davis the Senate took a recess until 10 Clock A M.

At 10 Oclock A. M.

Senate met

Message from the House

Mr President.

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have assented to the following Senate Bills

Senate Bile No 2 an act to define the 8th Section of an act approved 18th November 1861 entitled an act to facilitate the Circulation of the Arkansas War Bonds and Treasury Warrants

Also Senate Bill No 3 an act for the relief of the residents of this State

said two Bills are herewith returned

The House have passed the following House Bills

No 10 entitled an act for the relief of the families of volunteers of this State in Certain Cases

No 24 to be entitled an act to define and punish Sedition and to prevent the dangers which may arise from persons disaffective to this State or the Confederate States.

Said two bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

The House have concurred in Senate Amendment to House Bill No 23 an act making appropriation to pay the Confederate tax and for other purposes

John C Jones Clerk
of the House.

On motion of Mr Corrigan House Bill No ## an act for the relief of the families of volunteers of this State in Certain Cases was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr Mavis the rules were twice suspended the bill read the second and third times by title and passed:

House Bill No 24 an act to define and punish desertion and to prevent the dangers which may arise from persons disaffected to this State or the Confederate States were taken up and read the first time

Mr Cunningham moved to indefinitely the bill which motion was lost

On motion of Mr. Pennington the rules were twice suspended the bill read the second and third times by title and passed

Message from House.

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have concurred in Senate amendment to House Bill No 16. an act to repeal sections 5-6-7 & 8 of Chapter 29 of Revised Digest-

Also in Senate amendment to House Bill No 24 an act to procure Arms for the use of the Soldiery of this State

John P Jones Clerk
of House of Reps

Mr Trimble from the committee on Enrolments made the following report

Mr President

The committee on Enrollments did on this day hand to the Governor for his approval Senate Bill No 5 an act to abolish the Militia laws of this State Also Senate Bill No 6 an act to amend the Criminal laws as to slaves! and have instructed me to report the same

Trimble Chairm

On motion of Mr Bilbro House Bill No. , an act supplimental to ~~an act~~ an act making appropriation to pay the Confederate tax and for other purposes was taken up and read the first time

On motion of Mr Oates the rules were suspended the bill read the second time by title.

On motion of Mr Belser the rules were further suspended the bill read the third time by title and passed.

Message from the House

Mr President,

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have passed House Bill No 19 No 9 an act for the relief of families of volunteers of this State, which is here with transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

John D Jones
Clerk House

~~Senate~~ Bill No 9 an act to promote the manufacture of salt in this State was taken up and read the first time

Mr Oates moved the indefinite postponement of the bill pending which motion the Senate on motion of Mr Pennington took a recess till 2 oclock P. M.

At 2 Oclock P. M.
The Senate met

~~On motion of Mr Aiken Bill 9 an act to promote the manufacture of salt in this State was taken up and read the second time~~

On motion of Mr Aiken House Bill No 9 an act for the relief of families of Volunteers soldiers in this State,

Mr Oates offered the following amendment,

Strike out of Section 1 the eleventh and twelfth "lines" embracing the words from "Who" to "family"

Which was read and adopted

Message from the House

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body That the House have refused to concur

to Senate Bill No 9 an act to promote the Manufacture of salt in this state this is herewith returned

John D Jones. clerk
of House

Mr Oates offered to amend the bill under consideration as follows.

Amendment -

. . . . . added at the close of section 1

Provided,

That the five dollars herein appropriated shall not be paid to those whose property on the tax Books of his county amounts to two thousand dollars,

which amendment was read and adopted

Mr Rosson offered the following amendment

Amend by extending the provisions of this act to widows who may have sons in the Army,

which amendment was read and adopted,

Mr Belser offered the following amendment.

Sec Be it further enacted that the Sheriff or Collector shall be authorized to sell property belonging to the tax payers of this State to redeem the Treasury warrants issued in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing bill until peace is declared between the Confederate States and the United of America or until the ports of the Confederate States shall have been declared by the proper authority to be open,

which amendment was read and on motion of Mr Terry adopted

On motion of Mr Leanier the rules were suspended the bill read the third time by title and the Question being stated on its passage was decided in the Negative

Mr Trimble from the Committee on Enrollments made the following report

In Senate

The committee on Enrollments have examined Senate Bill No 2 an act to define to define the 8th section of an act approved 18th November 1861. Also Senate Bill No 3 an act for the relief of the residents of this State; and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled & have heard them, same to the Governor Immediately

Mr Yell Chairman

Mr Oates offered the following Joint resolution.

Resolved by the General assembly of the State of Arkansas that a committee of three be appointed on the part of the Senate to act with such committee as may be appointed on the part of the House to wait on his Excellency the Governor and inform that they are through with their business and are ready to receive any Communication he may see proper to make

Which resolution was read and took its course under the rules.

On motion of Mr Belser the Senate took a recess till 7 oclock P. M.

At 7 oclock P M the Senate met.

On motion of Mr Gray the calling of the role was dispensed with,

On motion of Mr Askew the Senate adjourned till 8 oclock to-morrow morning.

Jno. E. Fletcher
President

Saturday morning March 22d 1862

The Senate met

Mr Askew called up Senate Joint resolution relative to appointing a committee to wait on the Governor - which was read the second time and adopted.

Messrs Askew Dean and Gaines were appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate

Mr Trimble from the Committee on Enrollments made the following report

Mr President

The committee on Enrollments have examined Senate Joint Resolution relative to the day of special reprisals at arms and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day handed the same to the Governor.

Jonnels Chairman

Mr Rozier from the Committee on Swamp and Overflowed Lands reported back Senate Bill No 8 an act in regard to entry of State lands and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Which report was on motion of Mr Trimble the report was adopted and the Committee accordingly discharged

Message from House.

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House have concurred in Senate resolution relative to appointing a joint committee to wait on the Governor

said committee on the part of the House consists of Messrs Humphreys, Jones of Chicot and Cravens

John Pyeatt Clerk

Message from Governor.

Mr President

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that on the 21st day of March 1862 he approved and signed the following acts viz

An act to define the 8th section of an act approved november 18th 1861 an act to facilitate the circulation of State bonds and Treasury warrants

An act for the relief of the citizens of this State

An act to amend the Criminal Law as to slaves

Also Senate joint resolution providing for the payment of Messrs

dollars per day to Special Sergeants at-arms

March 27th 1862 W. M. Matthews
Private Secty

The Journal of yesterday was read approved and signed

On motion of Mr Dixon the Senate took a recess till 10 o'clock A.M.

At 10 o'clock A.M. Reassembled.

Mr Allard from the select committee appointed to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the two houses are ready to adjourn sine die reported that the committee had performed that duty and received for answer that the Governor would send in a final message about 12 o'clock M.

Report accepted & committee discharged from further duty.

Mr Dixon offered the following resolution =

Resolved That the thanks of the Senate are hereby tendered to the President for the able, courteous and dignified manner with which he has presided over the deliberations here. His true knowledge of the Parliamentary rules, his firmness and affability have rendered our sessions a pleasant one and promoted harmony while its facilities for business.

Which resolution was read and unanimously adopted.

Mr Beeson also offered the following resolution =

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are due to John D. Kimball, the able and accomplished principal Secretary, to Miss Rozzan and Woodward the assistant and enrolling Secretaries and to Mr Hammond Serjeant-at-arms for the prompt and efficient discharge of their respective duties at the present Session now about to close

Which resolution was read and unanimously adopted,

Mr Beeson also offered the following resolution =

The Senate met a recess until 12 Oclock M.

At 12 Oclock M. the Senate met

Message from the Governor —

~~Mr President~~ Executive office

Little Rock Arkansas

March 22nd 1862

Hon Thos Fletcher

President of the Senate

Sir —

Having had the hour this morning of receiving the joint Committee from the two Houses and being notified by the Honorable members that they had no further business before them to submit I beg leave to announce to the Senate of Arkansas that I have Executed all and think necessary to be done in the way of Legislation at present and have nothing further to communicate at this present.

Henry M. Rector.

On motion of Mr Trimble the Secretary was directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate are now ready to adjourn Sine die.

Message from the House =

Mr President

I am instructed by the House to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives having finished their business are now ready to adjourn Sine die in accordance with a resolution adopted by both Houses.

Thos P. Jones C.H.R.

The President of the Senate then proclaimed that in pursuance of the resolution heretofore adopted the Senate stood adjourned Sine die

Thos Fletcher
President of Senate

John D. Kimball
Secretary of Senate